

Remarks

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of the claims in view of the above amendments and the remarks set forth below. Claims 4-20 remain in the application. Claim 9 is amended. Claims 1-4 are canceled. Claims 4-8 and 10-20 remain unchanged.

35 U.S.C. §112, Paragraph 2

Claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claim 9 has been amended to meet this rejection. Applicants respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejection of the claim under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, in view of the above amendment and remarks.

Claim Objections

Applicants respectfully note that claims 5-8 and 10-20 were deemed to be allowable in view of the known prior art.

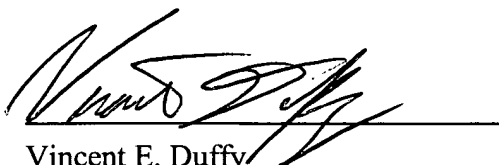
Having fully addressed the Examiner's rejections it is believed that, in view of the preceding remarks, this application stands in condition for allowance. Accordingly then, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully solicited. If, however, the Examiner is of the opinion that such action cannot be taken, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicants' attorney at (317) 587-4019, so that a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview may be scheduled.

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